GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:412
ANSWERED ON:22.04.2002
JOINT FOREST MANAGEMENT
ANANTRAO GUDHE

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have recently reviewed the Joint Forest Management Programme Phase I in the country particularly in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of proposals received from various States for Joint Forest Management Programme Phase II seeking World Bank assistance, Statewise; and

(d) the details of action taken thereon and present status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) FOR LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.412 DATED 22ND APRIL 2002 REGARDING JOINT FOREST MANAGEMNT RAISED BY SHRI ANANT GUDHE.

(a) & (b) There has not been any review of the Joint Forest Management (JFM) Programme by the Government recently after the fresh guidelines were issued in February 2000. However, recently, Phase I of a World Bank sponsored project had been completed in the State of Maharashtra, which had a JFM component.

(c) & (d) No proposal has been received from any of the State Governments specifically seeking World Bank assistance for the Joint Forest Management Programme Phase II. However, proposals for Andhra Pradesh Forestry Project Phase II, Maharashtra Forestry Project Phase II and Madhya Pradesh Forestry Project Phase II have been received from the respective State Governments for seeking financial assistance from the World Bank with JFM component. The proposals, after examination have been sent to the World Bank through the Department of Economic Affairs for financial assistance. No decision on these proposals has been taken by the World Bank.